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Our Case No. 659/921

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Margaret Ann Kato, et al.)
) Examiner: B. Snow
Serial No.: To be Assigned)
) Group Art Unit No. 3738
Filing Date: January 7, 2002)
)
For WAIST ELASTIC SYSTEM WITH)
IMPROVED ELASTIC DECAY)
PROPERTIES FOR A TRAINING PANT)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 1, before the section entitled "Background of the Invention," please insert:

--This application is a continuation of U.S. Ser. No. 08/455,366, filed November 13, 2000, now pending; which is a continuing prosecution application of the application of the same serial number and filed on May 31, 1995.--

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 2-32.

REMARKS

The applicants respectfully submit that the application is now in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner feel a discussion would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is kindly invited to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,



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